UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

In Re: CHANDRA MEDLIN	Case No. 1:15-bk-34864
	Chapter 13
	Honorable A. Benjamin Goldgar

Debtor(s)

NOTICE OF MOTION

To: service list affixed

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on June 25, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. I will appear before the Honorable A. Benjamin Goldgar, or any judge sitting in that judge's place, and present **DEBTOR'S MOTION TO MODIFY CHAPTER 13 PLAN,** a copy of which is attached.

This motion will be presented and heard electronically using Zoom for Government. No personal appearance in court is necessary or permitted. To appear and be heard on the motion, you must do the following:

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If you object to this motion and want it called on the presentment date above, you must file a Notice of Objection no later than two (2) business days before that date. If a Notice of Objection is timely filed, the motion will be called on the presentment date. If no Notice of Objection is timely filed, the court may grant the motion in advance without a hearing.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Jennifer Ann McLaughlin, certify that I served a copy of this notice and the attached motion on each entity shown on the attached list at the address shown and by the method indicated on the list on May 21, 2021, by 5:00 pm.

Dated: May 21, 2021 /s/ Jennifer Ann McLaughlin

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MOTION TO MODIFY CHAPTER 13 PLAN

NOW COMES, CHANDRA MEDLIN ("Debtor"), by and through her undersigned counsel, and pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1329(d)(1)A), moving the Court to modify the Debtor's Chapter 13 Plan, and in support thereof, stating as follow:

- 1. On October 13, 2015, the Debtor filed her Chapter 13 case.
- 2. On March 11, 2016, the Court confirmed Debtor's Modified Chapter 13 Plan ("Confirmed Plan"). [Dkt. 36]
- 3. The Confirmed Plan, in pertinent part, provides: (1) that the Chapter 13 Trustee will be the disbursing agent for Debtor's ongoing monthly first mortgage payments to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. ("Wells Fargo"); that the Trustee will be the disbursing agent for Debtor's ongoing second mortgage payments to Wells Fargo; and (3) that the arrears to Wells Fargo (first and second mortgages) shall be paid in full.
- 4. The terms of the first mortgage held by Wells Fargo required bi-weekly payments as opposed to the standard monthly payments.

- 5. The Trustee did not discover the unconventional terms of the first mortgage until September 2016. As soon as the Trustee made the discovery, the Trustee started making the biweekly payments.
 - 6. Due to the payments being bi-weekly, the Confirmed Plan was now running behind.
- 7. To aggravate matters, the bi-weekly payments started increasing due to an increase in the real estate taxes. The increase caused the Confirmed Plan to run further behind.
 - 8. Debtor made all 60 payments required by her Confirmed Plan.
- 9. In February 2021, the Trustee filed a Motion to Dismiss for failure to make plan payments.
- 10. At this point, Debtor ceased making payments to the Trustee as she understandably believed that her obligations were satisfied after she made all 60 payments required of her.
- 11. Debtor's counsel and the Trustee spent countless hours auditing the numbers and collaborating regarding the plan shortage.
- 12. After lengthy discussions, Debtor's counsel and the Trustee came to an agreement that the plan was in fact underfunded for the reasons stated above.
- 13. Debtor wishes to modify her plan to extend the plan to 78 months to pay the shortage.
 - 14. Debtor has been adversely impacted by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.
 - 15. Accordingly, pursuant to §1329d(1)(A), there is a legal basis for the modification.
- 16. Debtor wishes to modify her Confirmed Plan to remove the ongoing mortgage payments to Wells Fargo in Section E2(a) of the Confirmed Plan effective January 1, 2021.
- 17. Once the ongoing mortgage payments are removed from Section E2(a), Debtor's payments will be allocated to pay the outstanding mortgage arrears.

- 18. The Debtor is current on her first mortgage payments.
- 19. The modification sought herein will not prejudice the unsecured creditors as there are none.
 - 20. Based on the foregoing, there is good cause for the modification requested herein.

WHEREFORE, Debtor respectfully requests the following:

- A. an Order modifying the Confirmed Plan to remove the ongoing mortgage payments from Section E2(a) of the Confirmed Plan;
- B. such other relief as the Court deems just and proper.

DATED: May 21, 2021 Respectfully submitted,

CHANDRA MEDLIN

/s/ Jennifer Ann McLaughlin

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